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Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-24 (Cancelled).

25. (Currently Amended) A wireless communication system for a being, comprising:

a directional speaker attachable to a piece of clothing worn by the being;

a microphone; and

a base unit coupled to both the speaker and the microphone to allow the being to use the system to communicate wirelessly with another communication device,

wherein signals emitted from the speaker can be directed towards at least one ear of the being from the worn position of the speaker, and

wherein the directional speaker generates ultrasonic signals, which are transformed into audio signals,

wherein the directional speaker is configured to be attached to a portion of the piece of clothing, and to be intentionally spaced apart from the ears of the being, so that at least a portion of the ultrasonic signals is transformed into the audio signals via at least a portion of the medium in the space between the directional speaker and at least one of the ears of the being, and

wherein the signals are directional to allow communication with enhanced privacy.

26. (Currently Amended) A wireless communication system as recited in Claim 25

further comprising a power source that is at least partially integrated in the piece of clothing ~~wherein the directional speaker generates ultrasonic signals, which are transformed into audio signals.~~

27. (Currently Amended) A wireless communication system as recited in Claim 25 ~~Claim 26~~ wherein the system includes another mode of operation that generates audio signals directly from the speaker.

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28. (Currently Amended) A wireless communication system ~~as recited in Claim 27~~ for a being, comprising:

a directional speaker attachable to a piece of clothing worn by the being;

a microphone; and

a base unit coupled to both the speaker and the microphone to allow the being to use the system to communicate wirelessly with another communication device,

wherein signals emitted from the speaker can be directed towards at least one ear of the being from the worn position of the speaker,

wherein the signals are directional to allow communication with enhanced privacy,

wherein the directional speaker generates ultrasonic signals, which are transformed into audio signals,

wherein the system includes another mode of operation that generates audio signals directly from the speaker, and

wherein the another mode of operation is deactivated when the speaker is attached to the clothing.

29. (Previously presented) A wireless communication system as recited in Claim 25 wherein the speaker is selected from a group including: a device with a piezoelectric thin film, a device with a bimorph and a device with a magnetic transducer.

30. (Previously presented) A wireless communication system as recited in Claim 25 wherein the speaker and the microphone are integrated with the clothing.

31. (Previously presented) A wireless communication system as recited in Claim 25 wherein the speaker and the microphone couple to the base unit wirelessly.

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32. (Previously presented) A wireless communication system as recited in Claim 25 further includes an indicator for providing an indication that the system is being used to communicate wirelessly with the another communication device.

33. (Previously presented) A wireless communication system as recited in Claim 25 further comprising another directional speaker attachable to the clothing with the two speakers creating stereo effects.

34. (Previously presented) A wireless communication system as recited in Claim 25 wherein the speaker, the microphone and the base unit are integrated into one package, which is attachable to the clothing.

35. (Previously presented) A wireless communication system as recited in Claim 25 wherein

the base unit includes a display; and

the base unit includes capability to allow it to function as a computation device.

36. (Previously presented) A wireless communication system as recited in Claim 25 wherein the signals can be personalized based on the hearing characteristics of the being.

37. (Currently Amended) A wireless communication system as recited in Claim 25 wherein the signals can be personalized based on the noise sound level in the vicinity of the being.

38. (Currently Amended) A portable computing system for a user, comprising:
a directional speaker, which generates ultrasonic signals that are transformed to produce audio signals;

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a microphone;
a display; and
a computing device coupled to the speaker, the microphone and the display,
wherein the user can use the system to communicate wirelessly with another communication device,
wherein signals emitted from the speaker can be directed towards the user from the position the system is used,
wherein the user can communicate with the another communication device in a hands-free manner,
wherein the system is enabled for data as well as voice communication, and
wherein the signals emitted from the speaker are directional to allow communication with enhanced privacy, and
wherein the volume of at least a portion of the audio signals is automatically changed depending on the sound level in the vicinity of the system.

39. (Currently Amended) A wireless communication device,

wherein the improvement comprises a ~~personal~~-directional speaker that can direct audio signals towards a user ~~user's ear~~,

wherein the directional speaker generates ultrasonic signals, which are transformed into audio signals,

wherein the communication device includes another speaker that directly generates audio signals, without the need to be transformed from ultrasonic signals, and

wherein the communication device can be controlled to switch from generating audio signals by the directional speaker, to generating audio signals by the another speaker.

40. (Previously presented) A wireless communication device as recited in claim 39, wherein said wireless communication device is a personal digital assistant, a computer or a mobile telephone.

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41. (Currently Amended) A wireless communication device as recited in claim 39, wherein said directional speaker ~~generates ultrasonic signals, which are transformed in air to yield the audio signals~~ is configured to be personalized to the user such that at least the volume of a portion of the audio signals is automatically changed depending on at least one hearing characteristic of the user.

42. (Currently Amended) A wireless communication device as recited in claim 39 ~~claim 41~~, wherein said wireless communication device includes a video display ~~directional speaker directs the audio signals to the user's ear by emitting ultrasonic signals in a direction towards the user's ear.~~

43. (Previously presented) A wireless communication device as recited in claim 39 ~~claim 41~~, wherein said directional speaker directs the audio signals to the user's ear by emitting ultrasonic signals in a direction substantially parallel to the face of the user.

44. (Previously presented) A wireless communication device as recited in claim 39, wherein the audio signals from the directional speaker can be steered.

45. (Previously presented) A wireless communication device as recited in claim 39, wherein said directional speaker directs the audio signals to the user's ear by a physical horn forming part of said directional speaker.

46. (Currently Amended) A wireless communication device as recited in claim 39, wherein said directional speaker directs the audio signal to the user's ear by confining the audio signals substantially within a virtual cone having an input end at said directional speaker and an output end at the vicinity of the user's ear, and
wherein the diameter of the virtual cone at the output end is less than 6 inches.

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47. (Currently Amended) A wireless communication device as recited in claim 25, wherein the directional speaker is configured to be attached to a portion of the piece of clothing that is in the vicinity of one of the shoulders of the user; ~~46, the diameter of the virtual cone at the output end is less than 6 inches.~~